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In re application of : **Confirmation No. 2571**  
Erik BIJPOST et al. : Attorney Docket No. 2006\_0395A  
Serial No. 10/574,784 : Group Art Unit 1616  
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A METHOD OF IMPROVING  
THE PROPERTIES OF UREA GRANULES

**THIRD INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to the provisions of 37 CFR 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicants request consideration of the reference listed on attached form PTO-1449 and any additional information identified below in paragraph 3. A legible copy of the reference listed on the Form PTO-1449 is enclosed.

- 1a. ☒ This Information Disclosure Statement is submitted:
- within three months of the filing date (or of entry into the National Stage) of the above-entitled application, **or**
- before the mailing of a first Office Action on the merits or the mailing of a first Office Action after the filing of an RCE,
- and thus no certification and/or fee is required.**
- 1b. ☐ This Information Disclosure Statement is submitted

after the events of above paragraph 1a and prior to the mailing date of a final Office Action or a Notice of Allowance or an action which otherwise closes prosecution in the application, and thus:

(1) ☐ the certification of paragraph 2 below is provided, **or**

(2) ☐ the fee of \$180.00 specified in 37 CFR 1.17(p) is enclosed.

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2. It is hereby certified

a. ☐ that each item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of the Statement, or

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3. ☐ Consideration of the following list of additional information (including any copending or abandoned U.S. application, prior uses and/or sales, etc.) is requested.

4. For each non-English language reference listed on the attached form PTO-1449, reference is made to:

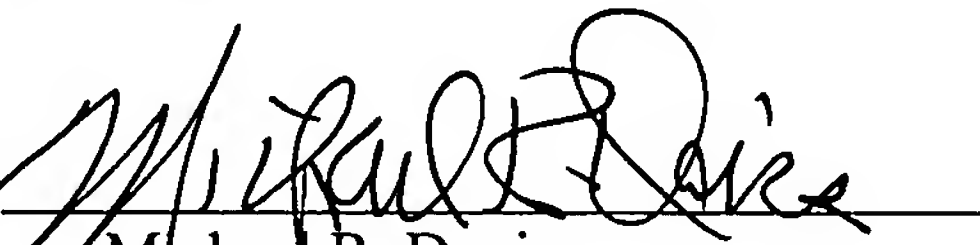
a. ☐ a full or partial English language translation submitted herewith,

- b. ☐ a foreign patent office search report (in the English language) submitted herewith,
  - c. ☐ the concise explanation contained in the specification of the present application at page,
  - d. ☐ the concise explanation set forth in the attached English language abstract,
  - e. ☐ the concise explanation set forth below or on a separate sheet attached to the reference:
5. ☒ Translation of a foreign patent office Office Action citing the reference is enclosed.
6. Comments:

The enclosed translation of a foreign patent office Office Action, issued in connection with the Russian application corresponding to the present U.S. application, cites SU 806661 and WO 99/15480. An abstract of the SU '661 reference is enclosed, and is cited on the attached PTO-1449 form. The WO '480 reference is already of record, having been cited in Applicants' IDS of June 30, 2006.

Respectfully submitted,

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